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THe following Addreſſes having been preſented to His Majeſty, His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive them very graciouſly.

To the King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Captains, and Officers of Your Majeſties Militia, and other Principal Inhabitants of the Town of Plimouth.

Moſt Gracious and Dread Soveraign,

BEing well aſſured by Your Majeſties Royal Proclamation, of the late Black and Execrable Deſign againſt the Lives of Your moſt Sacred Perſon, and Your only and Deareſt Brother the moſt Illuſtrious Prince James Duke of York, we cannot ſufficiently admire the Divine Providence, by which this Bloody and Damnable Conſpiracy hath been diſcovered, nor can we enough declare our Abhorrency of ſuch an Impious and Trayterous Attempt againſt the Beſt of Princes, which would have ſtain'd the Calendar with the Blackeſt of days.

And it being evident, that thoſe who are now taken in this Helliſh and Deteſtable Conſpiracy, are the ſame Perſons who have, under ſpecious Pretences, been contriving the Alteration of the Government, and of the Succeſſion to Your Majeſties Crown and Dignity, We do declare our utter Deteſtation of all their Conſpiracies, Aſſociations and Policies, and do ſolemnly vow to expoſe our Lives and Fortunes for the Defence of the Perſons of Your Sacred Majeſty and Your Deareſt Brother, and the Government as it is now Eſtabliſhed in Church and State; And conſidering what the Practices of the Diſſenters from the Church of England have from time to time been, and having no grounds to believe or hope that they can or will by any Acts of Grace or Mercy be reduced to Loyalty; we cannot rationally ſuppoſe any Safety can be to Your Royal Majeſty, or Your Brother the Duke of York, or true Peace and Happineſs to the Kingdom, till Schiſm and Faction are extirpated, and to that end we do humbly aſſure Your Majeſty, that when ever You ſhall in Your Princely Wiſdom think fit (according to Your undoubted Prerogative) to call a Parliament, we will carefully endeavour to chooſe ſuch men as are of known Loyalty, haters of Factious and Republican Principles, and may aſſiſt Your Majeſty in rooting out thoſe venomous Weeds, and prevent them from taking root in Your Majeſties Kingdom any more.

And we do likewiſe ſolemnly Vow and declare, that being duly ſenſible of the Happineſs we enjoy by Your Majeſties juſt Government, we will according to our duty of Allegiance, continue our Loyal and Faithful Subjection to Your moſt Sacred Majeſty, Your Heirs and Succeſſors, and do unanimouſly Sacrifice our unfeigned and hearty thanks to Almighty God, for his miraculous and gracious Deliverance of Your Majeſty and Royal Brother from that Curſed Machination, and will never ceaſe offering up our fervent Prayers to the Divine Majeſty, that his watchful Providence may continually Protect and Preſerve Your Sacred Perſon, and Your Deareſt Brother, and that no manner of Conſpiracy or Confederacy againſt Your Majeſty or him may take effect, but terminate in the deſerved Deſtruction of all its Contrivers, Actors, and Abettors.

To the King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the High-Sheriff, Lord-Lieutenant, Deputy Lieutenants, Juſtices of the Peace, Grand Jury, and other the Gentry, Clergy, and Free Holders of the County of Rutland, *at the Aſſizes held for the ſaid County, the twentieth day of* July, *in the Five and thirtieth year of His Majeſties Reign.*

Moſt Dread Soveraign,

AFter our moſt hearty thanks to Almighty God, and our ſincere Congratulation of Your moſt Sacred Majeſty, for Your Happy Deliverance from that Bloody Deſign againſt the Life of Your Majeſty, and Your Dear Brother His Royal Highneſs the Duke of York, when we come to conſider by what Heads it was contrived, and by what Hands to have been perpetrated by a pernicious Crew of reſtleſs Conventiclers, and perfidious inſolent and Atheiſtical Republicans, who diſturb the Government in Church and State eſtabliſhed, and unreaſonably deſpiſe our Holy Communion; the firſt of which no Indulgences can oblige, and the ſecond no Acts of Grace can endear; we do not much wonder that men of the former Principles ſhould never ſcruple at an Aſſaſſination, who durſt heretofore commit the moſt barbarous Murther, with the Solemnity of pretended Juſtice, or that the latter, who allow no Providence at all, ſhould ſtrive againſt that which hath been ſo remarkable in the Preſervation of Your Majeſty hitherto.

In a juſt Deteſtation therefore of ſuch Principles and ſuch Practices, we do hereby declare our Abhorrence of all Leagues, Covenants, Confederacies, and Aſſociations whatſoever, not approved by Your Majeſty. And our earneſt Prayers are, that Your Majeſty may long continue to be an impartial Diſtributer of Juſtice, according to the Laws eſtabliſhed, a zealous Defender of the Faith that we profeſs, an encourager of Loyalty in Your Subjects, a Support to Your Neighbours, and a Terror to Your Enemies; for the ſecuring of all which, and the preſerving the Succeſſion in the right Line, We ſhall think our Lives and Fortunes a cheap Sacrifice; and as in duty bound, ever remain,

Your Majeſties moſt Faithful
and Loyal Subjects,

To the King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of Your Majeſties moſt Loyal and Obedient Subjects, the High Sheriff, Lords, Juſtices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of this County, attending at the Aſſizes held at the Caſtle of York, *the twenty third day of* July 1683.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

AS we cannot but in the moſt humble Proſtration of our Souls, acknowledge the Divine Mercy in the continued and repeated Preſervation of Your Majeſty, from the Helliſh Machinations and Practices of Fanatick Seditious and Atheiſtical People; ſo we cannot but wonder with an unſpeakable amazement at ſuch as in defiance of ſo great Providences dare yet go about to endeavour the Subverſion of the beſt of Governments under the beſt of Kings.

Notions of Sedition and Rebellion, ſeem now raiſed to ſo great a height within theſe your Majeſties Dominions, that

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some have not only dared to draw them into Practice in their Life time, by conspiring the Death of your Sacred Majesty, and His Royal Highness your Dearest Brother, but to propagate them to Posterity with their last breath. And therefore we conceive it high time to own our Separation from such Persons, and our Abhorrence of such Principles. Beseeching Almighty God, by whom Kings Reign, to enable you to tread upon the necks of your Enemies. And that your Crown may flourish upon your Sacred Temples, your Heirs and lawful Successors, till time shall be no more.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

Dread Soveraign,

WE your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Justices, and Burgesses of Your Antient Corporation of Maccles-field in Chesshire, do in all sincerity give our most humble and hearty thanks to our good God that hath so miraculously preserved your most Sacred Person from so many eminent Dangers, especially at this time in delivering you from the hands of those wicked Conspirators, who designed the Ruine of your self, your Dearest Brother, and these three Kingdoms.

We humbly beg your Sacred Majesty to give a Gracious acceptance to the steady Resolutions of us your most obedient and Loyal Subjects which no time, no Treachery, no Power, no Fraud or Factions shall ever make us to decline or alter. Beseeching you to be assured, that our Lives and Fortunes lye at your Royal Feet. And that we will upon all occasions be ready to Sacrifice them both in defence of your Majesties Sacred Person, and the established Government of Church and State.

Your Majesties most Humble, most Loyal,
and most Obedient Subjects and Servants.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Bayliffs, Burgesses, and Commonalty of your Majesties Antient Borough and Corporation of Dunwich *in your County of* Suffolk, *in Common-Council Assembled.*

Great Sir,

WE your Majesties most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, have with great Astonishment of heart, heard of the Discovery of a most Damnable and Traiterous Conspiracy of divers Wicked, Desperate, and Ill-affected Persons, to compass the Death of your Sacred Person, and your Royal Brother James Duke of York, thereby to Subvert and Ruine the Antient and flourishing Monarchy, the best of Governments, and to involve your Majesties Kingdoms, in Blood, Confusion, and Slavery.

All which we do utterly detest and abhor; And do offer our humble thanks to Almighty God for so great a Deliverance, and for the seasonable Discovery of so Wicked and Barbarous a Design.

And we do most humbly beseech your Majesty, graciously to receive this Assurance from us, that we will (as it is our duty) on all occasions expose our Lives and Fortunes to the utmost, in defence of your Royal Person, your Heirs and lawful Successors, and your most excellent Government, as by Law established, against all Conspiracies, Associations, and Attempts whatsoever. And shall daily pray for your Majesties Long Life and Prosperous Reign over us: Given under our Common Seal, the One and twentieth day of July, in the Five and thirtieth year of your Majesties Reign.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Soveraign,

WE your Majesties most Obedient and most Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and Burgesses of your Majesties most Loyal and Antient Corporation of Launceston in Your Majesties County of Cornwall, having with Horror and Astonishment been well assured by your Majesties Royal Proclamations of the late most Accursed and Traiterous Conspiracy and Design against the Lives of your most Sacred Majesty and Dearest Brother, the most Illustrious Prince, James, Duke of York, Do render our most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God (by whose Divine Providence this bloody and damnable Conspiracy hath been discovered) for His miraculous and most wonderful Deliverance of your Majesty and Royal Brother, from that Hellish Contrivance and Cursed Machination. And do most humbly beseech the Divine Majesty continually to protect and defend your Sacred Majesty and Royal Brother from the Contrivances of all yours and his Enemies, and to infatuate their Councells and Confound all such their Devices. And we do with Loyall hearts declare our utter Abhorrence and detestation of all Trayterous Principles, Conspiracies, Associations and Attempts whatsoever, by or under any Pretence whatsoever, whither Popish or Phanatick, against the Persons of your Sacred Majesty and dearest Brother, and of the Impious and unparaleld Endeavours and Practices of those horrid Conspirators to Subvert the present and best Goverment in the World, and to alter the Succession to your Majesties Crown and Dignity in the Royal Line. And we do with one Consent most Solemny vow and declare (according to the duty of our Allegiance) to defend your Majesties Sacred Person and Your dearest and only Brother, and the Government now by Law Established in Church and State, with the utmost hazard of our Lives and Fortunes.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord-Lieutenant, Deputy-Lieutenants, and other Officers of the Militia of Your County of Salop.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE your Majesties most Loyal and Obedient Subjects, having with great Horror and Detestation, heard of a most Traiterous and damnable Conspiracy for the Death and Destruction of your most Sacred Person, and of your dearest Brother, the Duke of York, as also of several Meetings and Consults by some Factious and restless Spirits for a Rebellious Insurrection against your Majesties Government, under which both they and all Your Subjects have enjoyed so great Felicity, unavoidably involving thereby these Your three Kingdoms, and all your Dominions in an universal deluge of Blood and Confusion.

Do with all humble Thanks to Almighty God for so timely a Prevention thereof, and for so miraculous a Deliverance, beseech Him of His Mercy to all your Dominions, to continue His wonderful Providence to your Majesty in the Preservation of Your Royal Person, as the greatest Blessing we can receive on Earth; by whose Gracious Government the true Protestant Religion and the just Rights of Your Subjects have been reviv'd and preserv'd, and by your no less Gracious Promises in your late Declaration, shall ever be so.

And we do most humbly and solemnly declare, That (as we hold our selves bound by the Laws of God and the Realm) we as your Militia, shall always expose our Lives and Estates, in defence of your Sacred Person, the Succession of the Crown in its true and Legal Descent, and the Government in Church and State by Law established against all damnable Conspiracies and Designs of all wicked Persons of what Perswasion soever.

Beseeching Almighty God to make your Reign long and Prosperous over us, and our selves truly sensible of and thankful for so great a Blessing.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humbly and hearty Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and Freemen of Your Majesty's Antient Borough of New-Woodstock *in the County of* Oxford.

Great Sir,

WHen we consider the great happiness which we have long enjoyed under your Majesties most Auspicious Reign, how by the Prudence of your Conduct, we have so many years had the blessings of Peace and Plenty while all Neighbouring Nations have groaned under the heavy pressures of War and Confusions, How Justice is most impartially distributed to all your Subjects without Oppression or Delay, and every Man's Life, Liberty, and Estate, secured unto him, not only by the best Laws, but also by your Majesties most especial Care in the Just and Equitable Administration of them. It cannot but surprize us with the greatest Amazement that any should be found among us so desperately wicked, as to Conspire against so excellent a Government and so Gracious and Just a Prince, and yet it is plainly evident to the World that there was a most Hellish and Traiterous Conspiracy lately contrived against the Life of your most Sacred Majesty, and Your Dear Brother, James, Duke of York, and for the Involving these Nations again into Blood and Confusion,

fusion, by Fanatical, Antimonarchical, and Atheistical Persons sheltring themselves under the name of True Protestants, (but being as far from True Protestants as they are from being True Subjects) and that the Ringleaders and chief Conspirators in this Detestable Treason, were either those that held their Lives by Your Majesties former Clemency, or owe their Fortunes to Your Favour. We therefore, Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, having seriously reflected upon the said Execrable and Damnable Conspiracy, Do offer up our solemn and hearty Thanks to Almighty God for your Majesties, and your most Illustrious Brother's miraculous Preservation from the same; And shall always with Hearts full of Loyalty and Duty, be ready with our Lives and Fortunes to defend your Sacred Majesty, Your Heirs, and Lawful Successors, and the Government, as it is by Law established, from all Traiterous Associations, Plots and Conspiracies whatsoever. In Testimony whereof we have set our Hands, and caused the Common Seal of the said Borough to be hereunto affixed, the Twenty fourth day of July, in the Five and thirtieth Year of Your Majesties Reign.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Bayliffs, Burgesses, and Commonalty of the Borough of Tewkesbury, *in the County of* Gloucester.

Dread Soveraign,

WE Your Majesties most Obedient and Loyal Subjects, having with great Astonishment and Horror heard of the late Execrable Conspiracy, to take away the Life of Your Sacred Majesty, and of His Royal Highness (Your dearest Brother) contrived and carried on by desperate Miscreants, of Fanatick and Atheistical Principles, do from the bottom of our Souls, detest and abhor so deviliish and unheard of Treason. And we heartily bless and adore the infinite Goodness of Almighty God, in the happy discovery of it.

May the same Providence still Protect and Preserve Your Majesty, and the Royal Family, from the Cursed Designs of all Your Enemies, that the Imperial Crown of these Kingdoms may for ever continue to Your Majesty, Your Heirs, and Lawful Successors; Which, as we Pray in all Sincerity, so we humbly presume to repeat our ingagement and steady resolution, to stand by and defend the same, and the Government Established by Law, both in Church and State, to the utmost of our Lives and Fortunes, against all Traiterous Associations and Confederacies whatsoever.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses, and all other the Inhabitants of Your Antient and Loyal Corporation and Borough of Stamford.

Humbly Sheweth,

THat we Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, whose Hearts have been deeply affected with Amazing Sorrow, upon the first sense and apprehension of these Treasonable and Horrid Conspiracies, against your Majesties Sacred Person, and Royal Brother, James, Duke of York, design'd and contriv'd by Men as much void of all Humanity, as of the fear of God, or any sense of true Religion, endeavouring to Extirpate the Royal Family, to Subvert this Antient and Flourishing Monarchy, to reduce us into the Chaos of Modern Anarchy, and by that means to plunge all Your Majesties Dominions into an Ocean of Blood, Ruine, and Confusion, Do now with all possible expressions of Loyal Joy, Congratulate the happy and miraculous Deliverance of your Sacred Person and Royal Brother, from the most desperate and impious Attempts of Barbarous Traitors; Humbly imploring the Majesty of Heaven, that as He hath hitherto most signally delivered from many imminent Dangers; and doth deliver, so He would please (as we trust He will) yet to deliver both of You from the blow and reach of all such detestable Machinations; and most Solemnly declaring, That we Your most Loyal and Obedient Subjects, in Defence of Your Majesties Royal Person, your Heirs and Successors; and for the Maintenance of your Government in Church and State, as by Law established, against all such Treasonable Conspiracies, and Traiterous Associations, will most heartily and zealously appear upon all Occasions, with the utmost expence of all our Temporal Interests, whether they respect our Lives, Fortunes, and shall continually offer our humble and fervent Prayers to Almighty God, that as your Majesties Reign hath been to us and to all your Loyal Subjects most graciously Auspicious, so it may be to Your Royal Self most happy, long, and Glorious over us.

Linz, August 31. The 29th Instant we had an account by several Persons, who came hither, that the King of *Poland* arrived the 27th with 15000 Horse at *Welckersdorf*, three miles from *Vienna*, and that his Foot would be come up in two or three days. Their Imperial Majesties are still here, and we are told the Emperor's journey to *Crembs* to meet the King of *Poland*, is laid aside. An Express arrived this day brings news that the Imperialists have possessed themselves of a small Island lying in the *Danube*, not far from *Vienna*; the freshest account we have of the condition of that place, is contained in the following Letter from the Governor to the Duke of *Lorrain*.

A Copy of a Letter from the Count *de Starenberg* Governor of *Vienna*, to the Duke of *Lorrain*, Dated *August* 27. 1683.

I Cast my self at Your Highness's feet, most humbly to thank your Highness for the goodness you were pleased to express towards me in your last Letter. Your Highness knows I am perfectly Devoted to you, and that I desire nothing more passionately than by my most humble Services to render my self worthy thereof. Since my last the Enemy have sprung 6 or 7 Mines in the Ravelin, which, after having repulsed them, we presently repaired again; and we still maintain our Retrenchment, the Enemy having hitherto gained no more than a Lodgment on the Point of the Ravelin. We search above and under Ground, and have Countermined three of the Enemies Mines, and sprung two Mines, which had good effect, and would have had better, were our Miners more brave and expert, but being People which we get together any way, it is impossible to make them re-enter a Mine when they once hear the Enemy at work. In the Coutterscarp the Enemy have likewise sprung three Mines near a Retrenchment, Palisado'd, which we still maintain, to cover the Caponiers we have in the Ditch and tho the Palisadoes were in some places beaten down by the last Mine, yet our men maintain the Post with their Swords in their hands, till such time as they were made good again, and we do still keep it. The Enemy have again made two descents into the Ditch, the one towards the Bastion of Lebel *and the other towards that of the* Court, *from whence our men did in open day, under the favor of the Fire we gave upon the Enemy two hours together, very bravely dislodge them, while others, Commanded for that purpose, filled up their Works and burnt their Gabions and Galleries, so that they must new begin again. But, Sir, it is time to Succor us, we lose a great many men, and many Officers, more by the Bloody flux than by the Fire of the Enemy, for there dies almost every day 60 of this distemper; we have no more Grenadoes, which was our best defence; our Cannon are all by spoiled by the Enemy and partly burst, not having endured so shot by reason of the badness of their Metal; And the Enemy finding they cannot with small numbers lodge themselves in the Ditch, make great Lodgments on the Counterscarp, to keep a great number of men there, and to make an extraordinary Effort. For the rest it is certain that the Enemy have lost, and do still loose every day a great many Janissaries, and that they be very wounded and sick of the same Distemper, which rages amongst them. They have several Camps further off from each other,*